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FACULTY NEWS

Glad to see Martin Franklyn back on the job .... ditto D.B. Clarke - - - the second term meeting of the Social Sciences Division will take place on Saturday, March 11th at 1:00 P.M. in the Central Y.M.C.A. Conference Room. The role of the Social Sciences Division in the impending growth and expansion of the University will be the topic.

Neil Compton has arranged for the Stratford Shakespeare Festival Company to visit S.G.W. in the spring of 1962 - - - - more about this in a later issue. The Spring Prom is scheduled for Saturday, March 18th with the Athletic Awards Dinner scheduled for the same evening. Work should be underway soon for the new staff room - - - expected to be ready by May. That small refrigerator in the staff room has been purchased for our use - - - - soft drinks, milk, etc. (the "etc." will land you in trouble.) Hope the new area includes a Coffee and a Soft Drink dispenser.

The University Placement & Guidance Association will meet here on May 14th-16th and the Strathcona Credit Union is hoping to celebrate its 25th anniversary in May with a dinner meeting - - - Due to the many requests for the Air Force 5 BX Health Plan, Doug Insleay has ordered another supply. The book "You and University", just published by the Guidance Center of the Ontario College of Education, is a handy guide for High School Graduates planning to enter University. It surveys the Canadian University scene, costs, entrance requirements, field of study, finance, methods of application, etc. Some copies are available through the Student Affairs Office. The new Language Laboratory is to be demonstrated on Monday and Tuesday, March 6th and 7th. As the Laboratory only holds 21 people, reservations must be made through Jim Whitelaw.

John Ferguson, the Alumni Executive Secretary, has started to track down the thousand "lost" graduates, and has succeeded in finding a hundred of them as we go to press. On the amusing side, one of those listed as being lost was found - - - - on the part-time staff of S.G.W.! Albert J. Ferrari, recently named Comptroller of Loyola College, graduated from here in 1951 with a Bachelor of Commerce Degree and an Accountancy major.

The annual World Service Campaign will be held from the 1st to 7th of March. The article by Gerald Rip on the Garnet Key Society has been inserted to promote a better understanding of the Key and its function. The Spring staff changes are starting to appear..... Donald E. Ayre has been appointed Director of Admissions. R. A. Fraser has been appointed Secretary of the Faculty and Director of Examinations.

1962 CANADIAN CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION

Plans are proceeding apace in connection with the five-day Canadian Conference on Education to be held in Toronto in February 1962. A similar conference, convened in Ottawa in 1958, recommended that another such gathering of educationists should meet within the succeeding few years. This brief article will not comment upon either the historical background to the 1958 Conference or the thirty-one resolutions which appeared in the 1958 Conference's final report. The intention is rather to provide general information regarding the 1962 Conference.

Three thousand delegates (there were 850 in 1958) from sixty-two national sponsoring organizations (there were 26 in 1958) will take over Toronto's Royal York Hotel from February 19 - 23, 1962. The objectives to which the delegates will direct their individual and collective energies may be paraphrased (from the C.C.E.'s Constitution) as follows:

1. To improve communication among the segments of Canadian society interested in education.

2. To help create wide public understanding and support among Canadians for educational development essential to our growing nation.

3. To encourage appropriate efforts towards the solution of problems created by national development.

4. To remain informed about emerging educational needs.

5. To co-operate in promoting activities designed to arouse and maintain public interest in education.

At the 1962 Conference, the delegates will participate in one of nine Study Groups, for each of which men and women of distinction in various fields of education in Canada are presently preparing a series of National Studies with the following titles:

1. The Aims of Education in a Free Society
2. The Professional Status of Teachers
3. The Development of Student Potential
4. New Developments in Society
5. Financing Education
6. Continuing Education
7. Research in Education
8. The Citizen in Education
9. Education and Unemployment

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Their studies will be published in the Fall of 1961 and will primarily serve as resource data for delegates; meanwhile, study-discussion guides on all topics are now available (see end of article).

Under the capable leadership of Mr. Fred Price (who has been loaned to direct the 1962 Canadian Conference by the Bell Telephone Company), an interesting development is currently taking place which promises to pay large dividends. Provincial counterparts of the Canadian Conference have been or are being established in all provinces with the aim of keeping all educational bodies informed about one another's plans, activities and achievements. Moreover, most Provincial Conferences are also planning to convene meetings next Fall to which all their various delegates to the 1962 Canadian Conference will be invited. Finally, the Canadian Conference is encouraging the national sponsoring organizations, in and through their respective local units, to prepare briefs on any of the nine topics which are being compiled as national studies and which will constitute the bases for discussion and resolution in February 1962.

Associate Professor Harold Potter is representing Sir George's Association of University Teachers at a meeting to be held shortly to look into the feasibility of calling together, in November, the Quebec delegates to the Canadian Conference on Education. It is understood that no decision as yet has been reached as to what national studies either the C.A.U.T. or Sir George Association will devote their attention.

Requests for information concerning the Canadian Conference on Education and for English or French copies of the study-discussion guides on the National Studies may be secured from Miss Caroline Robins, Executive Secretary, The Canadian Conference on Education, 85 Sparks Street, Ottawa 4, Ontario.

Of direct interest to faculty and students of Sir George is the fact that the following national organizations are among those sponsoring the 1962 Conference:

Canadian Association for Adult Education
Canadian Association of Directors of Extension and Summer School
Canadian Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation
Canadian Association of University Teachers
Canadian Library Association
Canadian Mathematical Congress
National Conference of Canadian Universities and Colleges
National Federation of Canadian University Students

E. Gault Finley
February 1961

Athletic Program at Sir George

For some time now we have wondered about the athletic participation of our students in the competitive program at Sir George. Taking care to avoid duplication, we accumulated the following statistics from available records.

This year, by the time the schedules are through, 534 Day students will have competed in 193 games or matches in 15 different sports against the representatives of 30 different Canadian and American Universities and Colleges. The Athletic Department will have arranged for our teams and individuals to travel more than 10,000 miles to 21 different cities and towns.

Eleven full-time members of the Faculty and the Administration are involved in the coaching, policy making, or supervising of the athletic program, and the Athletic Director interviews an average of seven students a day on a wide gamut of personal and physical activity problems.

Far from being a weak sister in athletics, S.G.W. has captured Conference Championships in Golf, Soccer, Water Polo and is on the way to another Basketball title. The really sad fact is that none of our teams are operating at their potential due to lack of facilities. We are one of two Universities in Canada without a gymnasium, and the comparisons in other areas is staggering.

"Project in Ethiopia"

The World Service Committee of the University and Schools this year has accepted a specific project in Ethiopia. The project involves the training of leaders in physical education and the extension of program into two areas outside the capital, Addis Ababa.

A graduate of Sir George, Al McCann will be associated with the project and a great deal of the work being done in Ethiopia is along educational lines with a mass education program; classes in such subjects as phychology, public speaking, electronics, radio repairs, etc.

The students hope to raise $5,000 for the project.

W. D. Johnstone

GARNET KEY SOCIETY

The Garnet Key Society, the student honour organization of the University, is a relatively young entity in the tradition of Sir George Williams University. This article will attempt to bring to your attention the history and nature of the society.

First conceived at Sir George Williams University in 1956 by two fourth year students, Vic Roger and Dave Williams, an active body of fifteen members was selected early the next year. Prior to the selection of the first "Key", the original plan was implemented with much assistance from the University Administration, Mr. Magnus Flynn and Mr. Stuart McEvoy.

The first Key society to be formed was the Green Key at Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H., in the early 1920's. The Key movement as a whole has since gone through many transitional stages, emerging in its present international form. The societies were originally formed for the purpose of welcoming and assisting visiting athletic teams, but soon developed into service bodies to act, at all times, as representatives of the University. At Sir George, the purpose of the Key is "to provide a welcoming and ushering service for the University and its legally constituted entities; to orientate students to University life; and to provide general assistance to the University and its legally constituted entities if at all feasible and if in the interest of the University".

Hospital Committee

The Hospital Committee of the Garnet Key obtains from the administrative staff and faculty of the University, a list of all registered students hospitalized or bed-ridden, with a view to the visiting of these students. The Key also supplies any students with books required or desired from the University library.

Membership

There are three types of membership in the Key: active membership, alumni membership, and honourary membership. All active members are appointed by a Selection Board, consisting of both student and faculty representatives, and is composed of not more than 25 voting members. Recently the Key voted to accept two Evening Undergraduates as Honourary members and are studying the selection of Evening students for next year.

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Membership Qualifications

To qualify for membership, a student must have obtained a minimum of 4½ credits and must not have failed more than one full course in his previous academic year. The candidate must have attended the University for a full academic year, must be judged to be of good character and personality, and must have made some outstanding contribution to University life through his participation in student government, clubs, public actions, socials, athletics or any other special area of extracurricular endeavour, or through his scholastic achievements.

The Garnet Key has been prominent in many of the activities of the University. The first major project of the Key was in 1957 when the original members welcomed newly arrived refugees from Hungary. Later on that year, the Key made a great impression upon the Deans and other representatives to the annual meeting of the Association of University Evening Colleges during the sessions held at Sir George Williams.

Since its modest and successful beginning, the Key has been more active in all University activities with Key members on duty at Convocations, Teas, Special Services and, recently, at the opening of the new library.

As a relatively young organization, the Garnet Key Society looks ahead in the future of the University and feels it will be called upon to play an important role in the cultural and extracurricular activities of the University. It hopes that the student body and the faculty will realize the importance of this Society in Sir George Williams University. The Key itself, will surely try to live up to its original purpose and aims - at all times.

Gerald Rip

Editor's Note

(The services of the Garnet Key can be obtained by writing Mr. Dana Cochrane, this year's President, care of the Student Affairs Office. They would appreciate ten days notice, if possible.)

University TV Programmes *

TV courses for credit towards a degree are being offered by three Canadian universities this session: Laurentian University of Sudbury with CKSO-TV (economics and Littérature française), University of Toronto with CBLT (Russian language) and McMaster University with CHCH-TV (biology). In all cases, TV lectures are supplemented by seminars or tutorials on campus.

In order to give viewers a better understanding of the nature and role of universities, McMaster University and CHCH-TV began, January 15, a Sunday afternoon series of nine programmes entitled "University: Life and Learning."

* From February issue of "University Affairs".

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From The McGill Annual Report

The 1959-60 annual report of McGill University contains a "Survey of Universities From Which Students Graduated Previous to Entering the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research".

There was a total of 959 students listed with McGill supplying 262, Sir George Williams 67, University of Montreal 46, University of Toronto 26, London 32, Punjab (East) 22, and Manitoba 21. There were 196 Colleges and Universities listed as having Graduates studying in the McGill Graduate Faculties.

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